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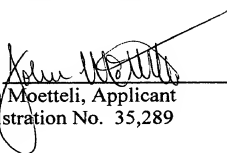
REMARKS

Applicant has amended claim 3, provides this Information Disclosure Statement and petitions the Commissioner for special status.

Applicant respectfully submits that the amended claims define subject matter that meets the patentability criteria of the patent laws. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner respond favorably to the Applicant in a first Official Action.

If the Examiner has any other questions, he is invited to contact the undersigned. Further, applicant wishes to remind the Examiner that he is prosecuting this application *pro se* and would therefore appreciate the accommodations so provided such applicants under the patent rules.

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Attached: Replacement abstract, corrected drawings, and IDS form with copies of cited publications